

Cyclistic Bike-share Case Analysis

Lora Yang

2022-04-02

Introduction

In 2016, Cyclistic launched a successful bike-share offering. Since then, the program has grown to a fleet of 5,824 bicycles that are geotracked and locked into a network of 692 stations across Chicago. The bikes can be unlocked from one station and returned to any other station in the system anytime.

Until now, Cyclistic's marketing strategy relied on building general awareness and appealing to broad consumer segments. One approach that helped make these things possible was the flexibility of its pricing plans: single-ride passes, full-day passes, and annual memberships. Customers who purchase single-ride or full-day passes are referred to as casual riders. Customers who purchase annual memberships are Cyclistic members.

Marketing strategies aimed at converting casual riders into annual members. In order to do that, however, the marketing analyst team needs to better understand how annual members and casual riders differ, why casual riders would buy a membership, and how digital media could affect their marketing tactics. Moreno and her team are interested in analyzing the Cyclistic historical bike trip data to identify trends.

process 1:Ask

What's the problem?

The marketing analyst needs to better understand how annual members and casual riders differ, why casual riders would buy a membership, and how digital media could affect their marketing tactics.

Business Task

Design marketing strategies aimed at converting casual riders into annual members by finding out the the differences between casual and annual riders.

Key Stakeholders

Cyclistic executive team

Lily Moreno, The director of marketing and my manager

Cyclistic marketing analytics team

Process 2: Prepare

Data download

Data organization

3 csv.files

Source of Data

Data was collected from Motivate International Inc under this license <https://ride.divvybikes.com/data-license-agreement>

Sort, filter and clean the Data use spreadsheet

trim the spaces, delete the columns not related with the analysis

library the required packages

```
library(tidyverse)
```

```
## -- Attaching packages ----- tidyverse 1.3.1 --
```

```
## v ggplot2 3.3.5      v purrr  0.3.4
## v tibble  3.1.6      v dplyr  1.0.8
## v tidyr   1.2.0      v stringr 1.4.0
## v readr   2.1.2      v forcats 0.5.1

## -- Conflicts ----- tidyverse_conflicts() --
## x dplyr::filter() masks stats::filter()
## x dplyr::lag()    masks stats::lag()

library(lubridate)

##
## Attaching package: 'lubridate'

## The following objects are masked from 'package:base':
##
##     date, intersect, setdiff, union

library(dplyr)
library(ggplot2)
library(readr)
```

loading data from 01/2021 to 03/2021

```
m1_2021 <- read_csv("/cloud/project/cyc/202101-divvy-tripdata.csv")

## Rows: 96834 Columns: 5
## -- Column specification -----
## Delimiter: ","
## chr (5): rideable_type, started_at, ended_at, start_station_name, member_casual
##
## i Use `spec()` to retrieve the full column specification for this data.
## i Specify the column types or set `show_col_types = FALSE` to quiet this message.

m2_2021 <- read_csv("/cloud/project/cyc/202102-divvy-tripdata.csv")

## Rows: 49622 Columns: 5
## -- Column specification -----
## Delimiter: ","
## chr (5): rideable_type, started_at, ended_at, start_station_name, member_casual
##
## i Use `spec()` to retrieve the full column specification for this data.
## i Specify the column types or set `show_col_types = FALSE` to quiet this message.

m3_2021 <- read_csv("/cloud/project/cyc/202103-divvy-tripdata.csv")

## Rows: 228496 Columns: 5
## -- Column specification -----
## Delimiter: ","
## chr (5): rideable_type, started_at, ended_at, start_station_name, member_casual
##
## i Use `spec()` to retrieve the full column specification for this data.
## i Specify the column types or set `show_col_types = FALSE` to quiet this message.
```

Check the column names for the consistency

str every format, display result

combine all data to one data frame

```
all_trip_share<-bind_rows(m1_2021, m2_2021, m3_2021)
```

Process 3: Process

clean data and add data

head(all_trip_share) and drop all NA

```
Cleaned_all_bike_share<-drop_na(all_trip_share)
```

Add new variables month, day, year, day_of __week

```
Cleaned_all_bike_share$month <- format(as.Date(Cleaned_all_bike_share$started_at), "%m")
Cleaned_all_bike_share$day <- format(as.Date(Cleaned_all_bike_share$started_at), "%d")
Cleaned_all_bike_share$year <- format(as.Date(Cleaned_all_bike_share$started_at), "%Y")
Cleaned_all_bike_share$day_of_week <- format(as.Date(Cleaned_all_bike_share$started_at), "%A")
```

Process 4: analysis

Add new column length of ride

```
Cleaned_all_bike_share$Length_of_ride<-difftime(Cleaned_all_bike_share$ended_at, Cleaned_all_bike_share$started_at, units="mins")
```

Calculate the average length of ride by rideable type

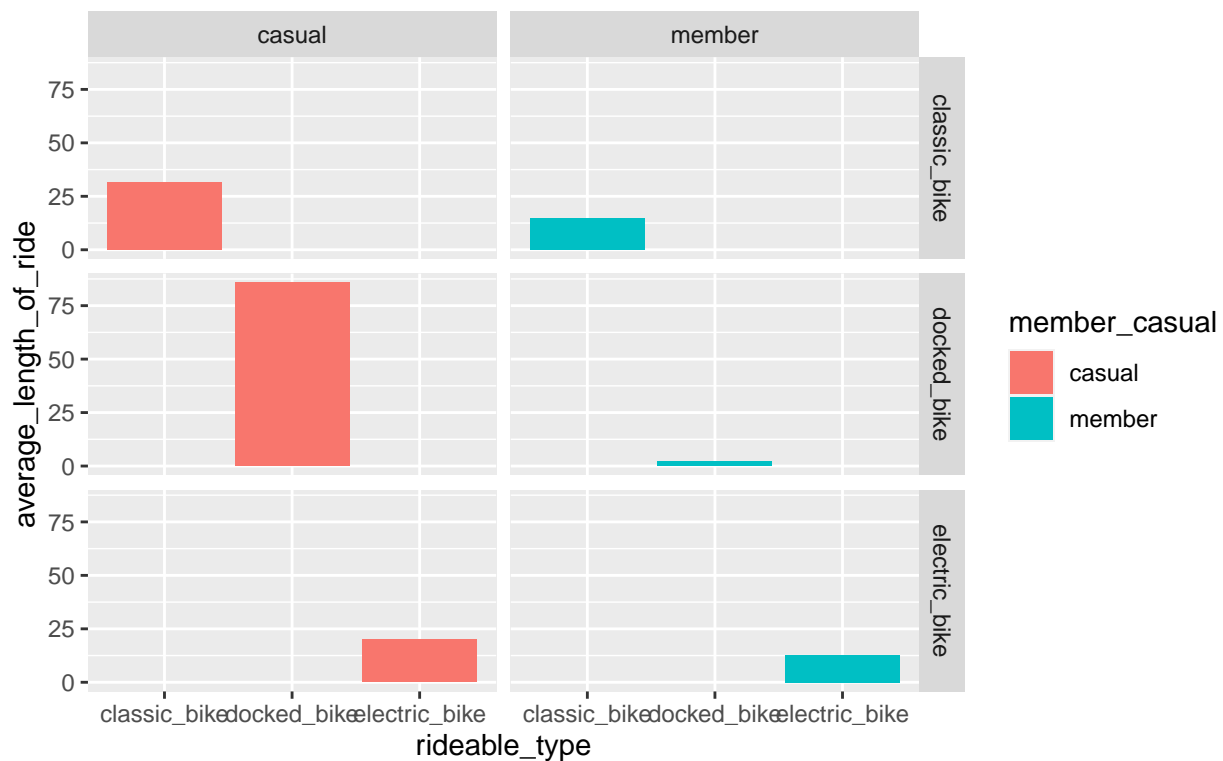
```
Cleaned_all_bike_share_summary1<-Cleaned_all_bike_share%>%
  group_by(rideable_type, member_casual)%>%
  summarize(average_length_of_ride=mean(Length_of_ride), .groups='drop')
```

data visualize

```
ggplot(Cleaned_all_bike_share_summary1, aes(x=rideable_type, y=average_length_of_ride, fill=member_casual)) +
  geom_col() +
  labs(title = "Average Riding length by rideable type: Members vs. Casual Riders", caption = "Data from 2016 to 2018") +
  facet_grid(rideable_type~member_casual)
```

```
## Don't know how to automatically pick scale for object of type difftime. Defaulting to continuous.
```

Average Riding length by rideable type: Members vs. Casual Riders



Data from Motivate International Inc

Caculate the averge length of ride by day of week

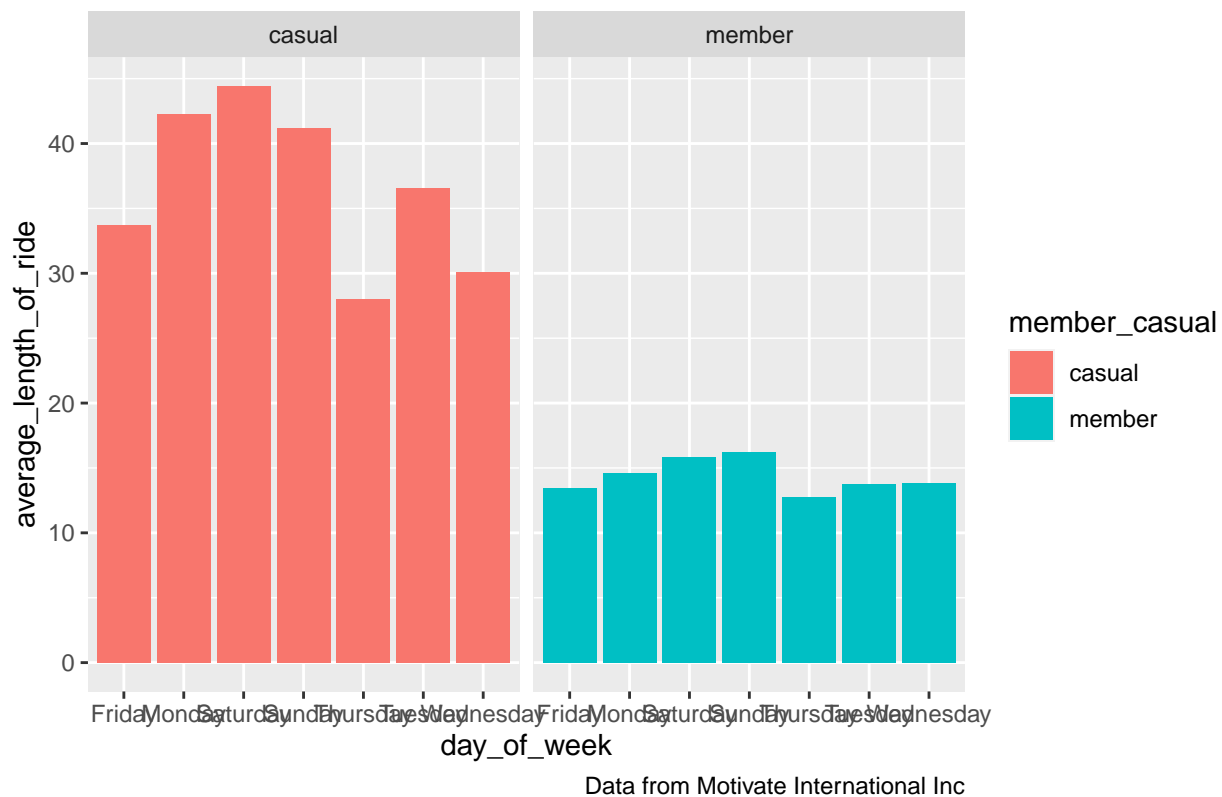
```
Cleaned_all_bike_share_summary2<-Cleaned_all_bike_share%>%
  group_by(day_of_week, member_casual)%>%
  summarize(average_length_of_ride=mean(Length_of_ride), .groups='drop')
```

data visualization

```
ggplot(Cleaned_all_bike_share_summary2, aes(x=day_of_week, y=average_length_of_ride, fill=member_casual)) +
  geom_col() +
  labs(title ="Average Riding length by day of week: Members vs. Casual Riders", caption ="Data from Motivate International Inc") +
  facet_wrap(~member_casual)
```

Don't know how to automatically pick scale for object of type difftime. Defaulting to continuous.

Average Riding length by day of week: Members vs. Casual Riders



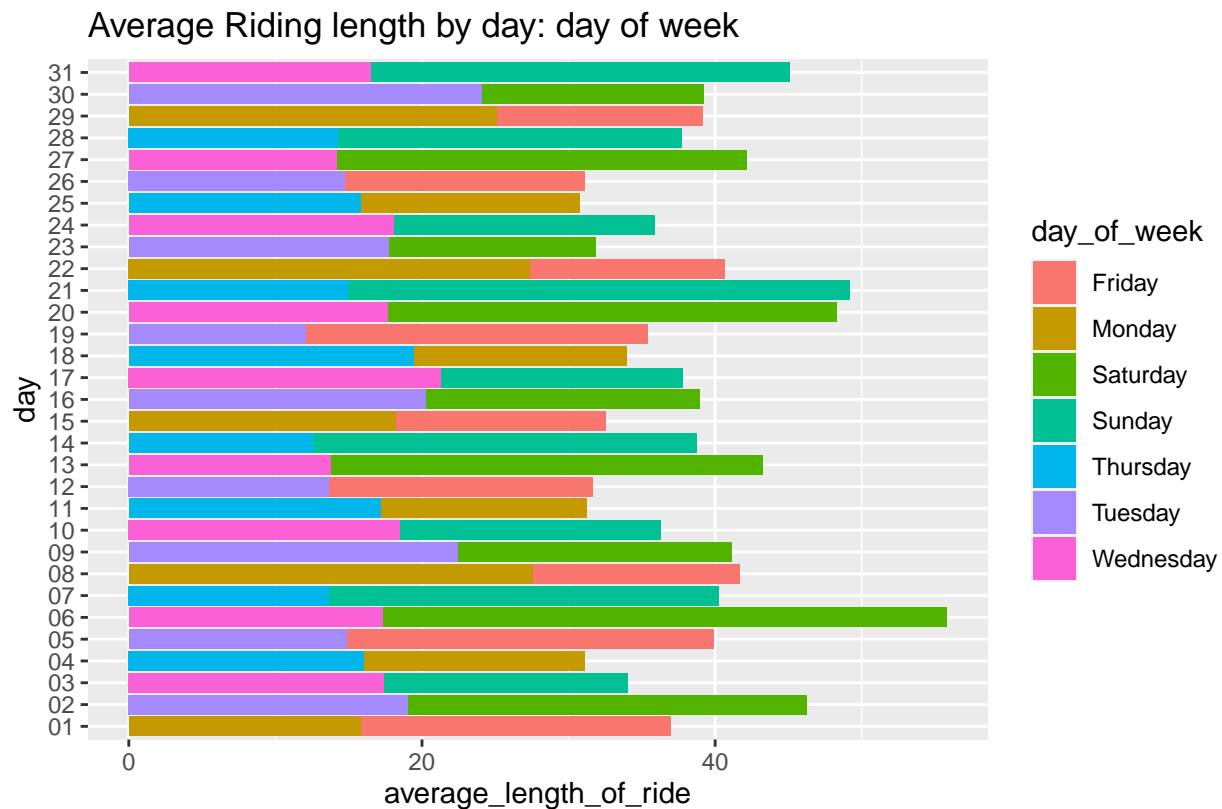
Calculate the average length of ride by day

```
Cleaned_all_bike_share_summary3 <- Cleaned_all_bike_share %>%
  group_by(day, day_of_week) %>%
  summarize(average_length_of_ride = mean(Length_of_ride), .groups = 'drop')
```

data visualization

```
ggplot(data = Cleaned_all_bike_share_summary3) +
  geom_col(mapping = aes(x = average_length_of_ride, y = day, fill = day_of_week)) +
  labs(title = "Average Riding length by day: day of week", caption = "Data from Motivate International Inc")
```

Don't know how to automatically pick scale for object of type difftime. Defaulting to continuous.



Data from Motivate International Inc

Calculate top 15 started stations by average ride of length

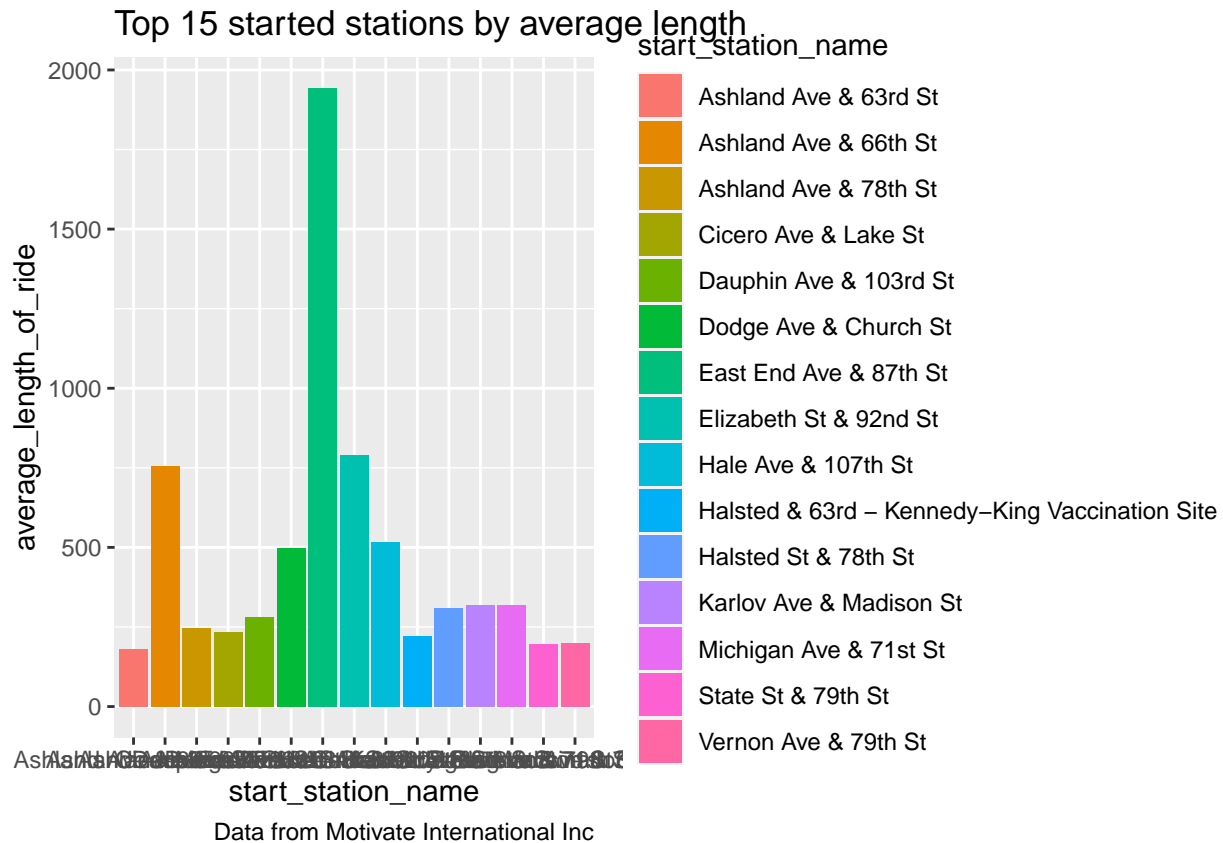
```
Cleaned_all_bike_share_summary4<-Cleaned_all_bike_share%>%
  group_by(start_station_name)%>%
  summarize(number_of_started_at=nrow(start_station_name),average_length_of_ride=mean(Length_of_ride))%>%
  arrange(desc(average_length_of_ride))
```

```
Cleaned_all_bike_share_summary5<-head(Cleaned_all_bike_share_summary4, n=15)
```

data visualization

```
ggplot(data=Cleaned_all_bike_share_summary5)+
  geom_col(mapping=aes(x=start_station_name, y=average_length_of_ride, fill=start_station_name))+
  labs(title ="Top 15 started stations by average length", caption ="Data from Motivate International Inc")
```

Don't know how to automatically pick scale for object of type difftime. Defaulting to continuous.



Key findings

- Casual riders' average ride duration is higher than member riders.
- The average ride duration of Casual riders during weekends is longer than weekdays.
- Docked bikes are the most popular compared with other bikes.
- Top 15 stations by average length of ride.

Process 5: Share

Recommendations

- Put more docked bicycles at Top 15 stations to further increase the number of casual riders
- offer membership discount to casual riders on Saturday and Sunday to attract them transfer to annual member
- Provide two kinds of offer for the membership, one is annual member, the other one is according to the average length of ride since the average ride duration is longer than annual member.

Further analysis

I will further analyze the riding behavior if there is data about riders.